the bottling plant to Tikrikalan have yet to be finalised by the Indian Oil Corporation.

Oil terminal at Paradip

1755. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal under their consideration to set up an oil terminal at Paradip in Orissa;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for delay in implementing the above proposal; and

(c) what progress has been made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Owing to constraint of resources and consequent inability of the oil industry to take up any tankage schemes other than those of operational necessity, no progress has been made about setting up an oil terminal at Paradip in Orissa.

LPG Bottling Plant in Eastern Region

1756. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Oil Corporation proposes to set up some LPG bottling plants in eastern region;

(b) if so, the various sites selected for the location of those LPG bottling pants;

(c) whether any such site has been selected for the location of LPG bottling plant in Orissa; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) and (b) The Indian Oil Corporation proposes to set up four bottling plants in the Eastern Region at various location as listed below:—

1. Calcutta
2. Balasore
3. Durgapur
4. Jamshedpur

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A site near Balasore has been selected for the bottling plant and the Indian Oil Corporation is in the process of acquiring the land.

Establishment of Head Post Office in Cuttack District

1757. SHRI GAYA CHAND BHUYAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the criteria for establishment of a Head Post office:

(b) what is the number of Head Post Offices which are functioning in Cuttack District of Orissa;

(c) what are the reasons for not establishing Head Post Office at Patamundal in Cuttack District though it fulfils all the requirements for establishing a Head Post Office there; and

(d) whether any Head Post Office has been established in Cuttack district during the last year 1984-85 and so for in 1985-86?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) A new Head Post Office is created by bifurcating the accounts jurisdiction of an existing Head Post Office and upgrading a sub-post office attached to it into a Head Post Office. Under the extent norms, a Head Post Office becomes ripe for bifurcation if a minimum of 60 sub-post offices are attached to it. There is a further stipulation, that both the new and residuary Head Post Offices should each have a minimum of 20 sub-post offices in their accounts jurisdiction..

(b) There are six Head Post Offices functioning in Cuttack District.